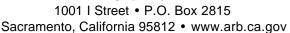


Air Resources Board

Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. Chairman





October 15, 2004

Dear Sir or Madam:

As we have discussed with many stakeholders, we have planned a third Panel Discussion regarding potential future modifications to the California Reformulated Gasoline (CaRFG) Regulations. Also, as part of the commitments made when the Air Resources Board approved the South Coast Air Quality Management District's State Implementation Plan, we must evaluate whether additional emissions reductions can be obtained by modifications to the CaRFG program.

This meeting will allow staff to involve a broad range of stakeholders in our efforts to identify potential revisions to the CaRFG program for further evaluation. Following the panel discussion, members of the general public will have the opportunity to comment. The proposed agenda is attached.

The time and place of the panel discussion are shown below:

Date: November 9, 2004, Tuesday

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: California Energy Commission

1516 Ninth Street

Hearing Room B, First Floor

Sacramento, California 95814-5512

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The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

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If you have questions about the meeting, please feel free to contact me at, (916) 322-6020 or Mr. Steve Brisby, Manager, Fuels Section, at (916) 322-6019.

Sincerely,

Dean C. Simeroth, Chief Criteria Pollutants Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Steve Brisby, Manager

Fuels Section

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Tentative AGENDA

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Discussion of Goals for Any Future Changes to Fuel Regulations
- 3. Issues Related to Permeation Emissions
 - Quantification of Potential Emissions
 - How to Reduce Emissions Impacts
- 4. Potential for Amendments to CaRFG Specifications
- 5. National Fuel Issues
- 6. Next Steps
- 7. Closing Remarks